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Filed: February 20, 2004 Examiner: S. Avila
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Outboard Motors

Remarks

Claims 4-6 remain in the application. Claims 1-3 have been cancelled. Claims 1-3 stand rejected. Claims 4-6 are allowed.

The Rejections

The examiner has rejected Claims 1-3 under 35 U.S. C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Stallman (U.S. 3,209,534) in view of McKenney et al. (U.S. 6,230,642).

Allowable Subject Matter

The examiner states that claim 4-6 are allowed.

Response

The applicant believes that all of the rejections and objections have been resolved. Inasmuch as claims 1-3 have been cancelled, the rejection of claims 1-3 is now moot.

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Conclusion

In view of the above, the applicant believes that all of the objections and rejections have been resolved. Reexamination, reconsideration and approval of the claims are requested soon.

Respectfully Submitted



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